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Attorney Docket No.: A-67207-2/DJB/RMS

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application)
Inventor(s): WALT et al.)
Application No.: 09/287,573)
Filed: April 6, 1999)
Title: SELF-ENCODING SENSOR)
WITH MICROSPHERES)

Examiner: G. Gabel
Group Art Unit: 1641

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION AND
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner
for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This amendment is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed February 28, 2000, and is timely filed on or before the extended deadline of April 28, 2000. The time period for response has been extended by the accompanying petition for extension and requisite fee.

In response to the restriction requirement, the applicants elect Group III, claims 16-26. The election is made without traverse.

In addition, prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows: